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INVENTION: GRAPHITE POWDERS SUITED FOR NEGATIVE ELECTRODE
MATERIAL OF LITHIUM ION SECONDARY BATTERY

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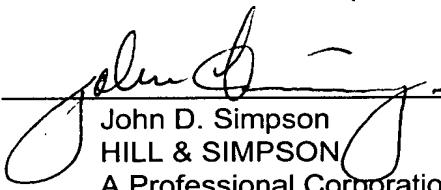
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Between the title and the heading "Background of the Invention" on page 1, insert
the following:

--RELATED APPLICATION DATA

The present application claims priority to Japanese Application No. P10-111001
filed April 21, 1998 which application is incorporated herein by reference to the extent
permitted by law.--

Respectfully submitted,


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